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- The Bulgarian 3rd Division has been rearmed and moved south of the Sliven -Yambol - Elhovo area. The 3rd Division is now up to full strength.
- 2. The commander of the 3rd Division, believed to be General Liubenov, has been replaced. The Division is now under the command of the "Partisan" Colonel Dobri Marinov Tchurev.
- 3. Parts of this division are encamped at Kermen and Mihailovo.
- 4. The 4th Division: The entire 19th Regiment is on the Greek frontier in the region of Pashmakli. The 7th Infantry Regiment has two battalions, which have been rearned, on the Greek frontier. The 8th Lafantry Regiment has two battalions and a Special Battalion on the Greek frontier. One battalion has remained in Varna. The 5th Artillery Regiment has its heavy artillery group on the Greek frontier. The 3rd Regiment of Army Heavy Motorized Artillery has remained at Shumen.
- The headquarters and one battalion of the 30th Infantry Regiment are at Simeonovgrad. Two battalions are at Ivailovgrad (Orta Koi),
- The 3rd Coastal Artillery regiment and the heavy artillery group of the 6th Artillery Regiment are at Burgas.
- The 9th Infantry Division has been reactivated. The 9th Artillery Regiment of the 6th Infantry Division is now stationed at Sevlievo. Its composition is as follows:
 - The 1st and 2nd Batteries are armed with old Schneider 75 millimeter field guns, horse-drawn; the battery has six horses, and the men are armed with Soviet automatics.
 - b. The 3rd Battery is an anti-tank unit and is armed with new Soviet antitank guns, some are drawn by horses and others by small trucks. The men are armed with automatics.
 - The 4th and 5th Batteries have 75 millimeter mountain guns (Schneider) and five mules. The men are armed with Soviet automatics and carbines.

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- d. The 6th Howitzer Bettery has twelve German and Soviet 15 centimeter horse-drawn howitzers. The men are armed with automatics and carbines.
- e. The Special Battery consists of a telephone platoon, W/T platoon and a visual signalling detachment.

Transport: horse-drawn and trucks (German).



